

REMARKS

Applicants would like to thank Examiner Audet for the courtesy extended during the telephonic interview on August 17, 2004. Applicant's attorney Robin A. Chadwick participated in the interview with Examiner Audet. The subject matter of Groups I-II and the requirement for election of a peptide species were discussed during the interview. Examiner Audet agreed to examine both Groups I and II if Applicant elected 3-4 peptide SEQ ID Nos for examination at this time. This account is believed to be a complete and accurate summary of the interview as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.133. If the Examiner believes that this summary is inaccurate or incomplete, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner point out any deficiencies in his next communication so that Applicants can amend or supplement the interview summary.

The claims have been amended to reflect the election made in response to the restriction requirement dated June 30, 2004. Thus, claims 2-13, 16-26 and 28 have been withdrawn to expedite the prosecution of this application and may be pursued in a divisional or continuation application. Claims 1, 14, 15 and 27 are currently pending. Applicant submits that these amendments do not add new matter and that the claims are in condition for allowance. Notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (516) 795-6820 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIRMENT

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